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U.S. Small Business Administration Names C.P. Krishnan, President, CAK International, LLC as 2017 Small Business Champion of the Year

Accomplished business owner at the helm of a global business consulting firm has reached over 100 companies in past 18 years

SANTA ANA, Calif. - The U.S. Small Business Administration, Santa Ana District Office has selected C. P. Krishnan (CP) to be recognized as the 2017 Small Business Champion of the Year. CP who started the company in 1999, was nominated for this award by Ann Krishnan, Vice President and Senior Partner at CAK International, LLC in Newport Beach, CA.

Over the past 18 years, CP has worked tirelessly in supporting the small business community and has been active in the growth and development of over 100 small businesses through one-on-one client engagements extending to a wide spectrum of industries, including aerospace, space technology, information technology, missile defense engineering, federal contracting, non-profit organizations, and other small business entities. His firm has corporate offices in Newport Beach, CA, Dallas, TX, Washington, D.C. and New Delhi, India. CP provides customized business solutions and the structural support that many small businesses lack with a mission to promote and develop successful companies based on Biblical principles and the premise that helping others succeed helps all succeed.

CP measures success in part to the strong sense of satisfaction and pride in helping others, especially the small business owner and their employees. Through strategic alliances developed with the SBA, GSA, DoD, IRS, NASA, and many others he says his development work is rooted in the SBA's mission to strengthen the backbone of this country.

In addition to his professional career, CP is an active volunteer with the Orange County Chapter of SCORE, TriTech Small Business Development Center, AmPac CDC (an SBA Certified Development Company), IEEE, local universities, non-profits, and faith-based organizations. He is also the author of three bestselling books on Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) Compliance, is a regular trainer at various procurement and business events, contributing expertise and knowledge to the small business community.

C.P. Krishnan will be recognized and receive his award as the 2017 Small Business Champion of the Year at the local Small Business Week Awards program which will be held Friday, June 9, 2017 from

10:30 a.m. until approximately 2:00 p.m. at the Disneyland Hotel Grand Ballroom. The event is being hosted by the Orange County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. For more information on the event or to register, email events@ochcc.com or call 714.953.4289.

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About Small Business Week

Every year since 1963, the President of the United States has issued a proclamation announcing National Small Business Week, which recognizes the critical contributions of America's entrepreneurs and small business owners. More than half of Americans either own or work for a small business, and they create about two out of every three new jobs in the U.S. each year. As part of National Small Business Week, the agency takes the opportunity to highlight the impact of outstanding entrepreneurs, small business owners and others at local events around the country. Every day, these individuals are working to grow small businesses, create 21st century jobs, drive innovation, and increase America's global competitiveness. For more information, please visit www.sba.gov/nsbw/nsbw.